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Dr. Robert B. Bishman
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Dear Mr. Bishman:

Thank you for your letter of 8 January 1960 in which you request permission to include an abridgement of the speech I delivered on 8 April 1959 in New Orleans to the Edison Electric Institute in a book of readings by you to be called A Critique Of American Democracy.

You state you would like to drop the introductory remarks and any others of a strictly topical nature, and that as a result of such action, the text will read more like an article than a speech. This is disturbing. While the speech in its entirety is in the public domain, an abridgement such as you indicate could be misleading and cause a belief on the part of a reader that I had written an article for inclusion in your book. Such a wrong conclusion would be most unfortunate. Therefore, before giving you a final decision, I would request that you furnish me with the exact text you contemplate publishing as part of your book. This, of course, will include, I am sure, a statement that what you quote are excerpts from a speech I delivered on 8 April 1959 to the Edison Electric Institute in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Thank you for the kind things you say of my assessment of Soviet capabilities. I am pleased to send you, as you requested, a copy of my 8 April address.

Sincerely,

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